A METHOD FOR DELAYING AND EXECUTING
SYSTEM ADMINISTRATION OPERATIONS IN UNATTENDED MODE

Abstract

A method allowing a user interfacing a computer with a
5   console, to delay the execution of system administration
operations and to have them executed in unattended mode on said
computer. The method comprises the first step of seizing
identification of the user at the console and checking
authorization. If user authorized the method comprises the step
10 of seizing at the console and storing in a working storage area
the characteristics of the system currently active on the
computer, parameters describing the administration operations to
be performed on the computer, the type of system restart to be
performed after administration operations in unattended mode the
15 delay to be waited for before starting said administration
operations. Then, the method requires to the operating system of
the computer to start delay. When delay is expired, the method
initializes the computer peripherals according to the parameters
describing the administration operations stored in the working
20 storage area and sets the operating system in a sleeping state.
Then, the administration operations are performed according to
the administration operations parameters stored in the working
storage. Finally, the characteristics of the system which was
active on the computer and the type of system restart are
25 retrieved from the working storage and the system is restarted
according to the retrieved information.